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Fire Restriction Orders

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The South Salt Lake Fire Department has been monitoring current drought conditions and has determined that fireworks, explosive devices, and open flames create a safety hazard to the community due to the current existing moisture content of vegetation. We ask that you consider the weather and "Skip another Year" on fireworks discharge and follow the guidelines listed below.

Discharge Dates:

Between the hours of 11 am and 11 pm except as noted:

July 2 – July 5 (July 4th hours extended to midnight)

July 22 – 25 (July 24th extended to midnight)

December 31 (11 am – 1 am January 1)

Chinese New Year's Eve (11 am – 1 am the following day)

It is illegal to ignite any firework in any area of the city west of 900 West. It is illegal to ignite any firework within 20 feet of any residence, dwelling, or other structure. It is illegal to ignite any firework on property owned by the City of South Salt Lake. It is illegal to ignite any firework within 200 feet of waterways, trails, canyons, washes, ravines, or similar areas.

Additionally, we require the City's open burning rules and regulations be followed. Except for approved designated recreational fires, open burning is not allowed within the City limits of South Salt Lake. City Ord. 13. 72. 040 and IFC 307.1.1. 2. Extinguishment authority is the decision of the fire officer who responds to a complaint. If the fire adds to a hazardous situation, the fire officer is authorized to order the fire extinguished. IFC 307.3. 3. A portable outdoor fireplace cannot be used within 15 feet of a structure. IFC 307.4.3. Open flame cooking devices cannot be used within 10 feet of a structure or on balconies, except where buildings, balconies and decks are protected by an automatic sprinkler system. IFC 308.1.4 5. Bonfires are not allowed. City Ord. 13. 72. 040. 6. Recreational fires must be 25 ft. from a structure, with the pile size to be 3 ft. or less in diameter and 2 ft. or less in height. IFC 307.4. Trash consisting of moist or green vegetation or other objectionable materials causing unwanted smoke are not allowed to be burned. Burn barrels, trash, tires, wire insulation, etc. are not allowed to be burned. City Ord. 13. 72. 040. When a legal recreational fire is allowed, the fire shall be constantly attended until the fire is extinguished. A means of "Fire extinguishment" such as a hose, shovel or portable fire extinguisher shall be readily available and on-site. IFC307.5. Open burning at any construction site is prohibited, and nuisance type fire will be extinguished immediately. IFC 3304.2. This order supersedes all existing orders.

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